

Condition 29: Operation Support Systems (OSS) Collaborative
SBC/Ameritech Illinois Merger, Docket 98-0555

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: May 23, 2000
Meeting Time: 1:30 PM
Minute Status: *Draft* as of 06/07/2000
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The meeting was held via teleconference and was presided over by Sam McClerren.

Participants:

21 st Century	Kristin Smoot
AT&T	Dave Chorzempa, Patti Coughlan, John Gomoll
CoreComm	Mary Cegelski
Covad	Curt Schwartz, Maria Carver
Empower Comm.	David McGann
Focal Comm.	Dan Meldazis
GTE	Rendi Mann-Stadt
ICC Staff	Sam McClerren, Nancy Atkinson, Frank Bodine, Charlie Fisher, Tom Aridas, Nora Naughton, Sheila Vance
KPMG	Carla Morreale
McLeod	Rod Cox
Next Link	Carol Pomponio
Rhythms	Tom Roland
SBC/Ameritech	Joe Rogers, Tim Gilles, Deno Perdiou, Rich Schanen
WorldCom	Daryll Townsley, Sherry Lichtenberg, Karen Kinard

Condition 29 of the SBC/Ameritech IL merger (docket 98-0555) speaks to the review of SBC/Ameritech's Operational Support Systems (OSS). It has been designed as a three phased process to ensure that the structural ability to compete in SBC/Ameritech's IL region exists. The three phased process involves the following:

Phase 1: Commission approval of SBC/Ameritech's IL Plan of Record (Complete - April 4, 2000)

Phase 2: Gain written agreement on the IL Plan of Record via a collaborative process by all parties involved (Current Focus)

Phase 3: Perform an independent third party test (Future)

Specifically the second phase of the process involves an initial four weeks of collaborative meetings followed by seven weeks of arbitration (if required) to hit the 90 day window as specified in the merger order.

Administrative Details:

The Condition 29 ICC web page (<http://www.icc.state.il.us/icc/tc/cond29.asp>) will have a document posted to it by end of today titled Collaborative Guidelines. All parties should read this document prior to attending the first set of collaborative meetings. Some of the highlights of this document are as follows:

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- The collaborative process should be one of open and free communication.
- An ICC representative will lead the sessions and record minutes. The draft minutes will be posted to the web page within 2 business days. They will then be reviewed and approved at the beginning of the next collaborative session.
- All meetings will be held in Chicago.
- Looking for CLECs and Ameritech to have representatives present who have authority to make decisions as well as subject matter experts.
- KPMG has been hired by the ICC as the third party tester. The final contract was signed on 5/18/00 and will be posted to the ICC condition 29 web site. KPMG will be an observer in the collaborative sessions.
- Materials to be discussed should be distributed in advance of the meetings.
- Dress is business casual.
- Topics out of scope are discussed.

Schedule:

The format of the initial four week period will consist of a series of 2 day meetings each week.

Now: CLECs to provide all OSS issues to Sam or Nancy in writing by **June 8**.

Week 1: Discuss primary goal of Phase 2, SBC/Ameritech will present their revised plan of record as of March 1, 2000. Specifically SBC/Ameritech will focus on the Future Method of Operation (FMO) including any modifications made since the plan was issued. Parties will continue to submit issues for discussion during the collaborative sessions.

Week 2: CLECs voice issues/questions regarding the POR or other OSS topics. All issues should be on the table by the end of the second week of meetings.

Week 3: SBC/Ameritech will respond to issues raised by the CLECs in week 1 and 2.

Week 4: Open discussion of outstanding issues. Determination of whether the issues can be resolved via the collaborative process or if arbitration will be required.

All individuals who would like to be included on the distribution list for the ILL OSS Collaborative should phone or email Sam McClerren (**smccleerr@icc.state.il.us 217-782-1021**) or Nancy Weber Atkinson (**natkinso@icc.state.il.us (312)814-4078**). Please provide us with your name, company, mailing address, phone number and email address.

By an order of the Commission the official start date of the OSS collaborative process was to begin two weeks after the conclusion of a contract with the third party tester which occurred on 5/18/00. This would make an official start/end date of 6/1/00 - 8/29/00. Through a discussion of availability it was agreed that the official start date would be 6/21/00 and therefore the official end date would be pushed out to 9/18/00.

The following dates/times were decided for the initial four weeks of the collaborative process. The first day of each meeting will from 10:30 am - 5 pm and the second day will be from 9 am - 3 pm. Specific meeting locations and conference bridge information will be distributed to interested participants prior to the first meeting. All meetings will be held in Chicago.

Week 1: **June 21-22, 2000**

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Week 2: **June 28-29, 2000**

Week 3: **July 5-6, 2000**

Week 4: **July 13-14, 2000**

It was also agreed that an overview of the OSS progress made in other states within the 5 state region should be reviewed at the first meeting.

Follow-up Items:

- CLECs to provide all known issues to Sam or Nancy by June 8.
- All parties to provide their contact information including name, company, mailing address, email address, and phone number, in order to be included on the distribution list.
- Review the collaborative guideline document on the ICC condition 29 web page.

An email with the specific location, call in number, etc. for the first meeting will be sent to the individuals we hear from when the exact meeting rooms have been determined. This notice will also be posted to the Condition 29 web page.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm by Sam McClerren.